

One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions

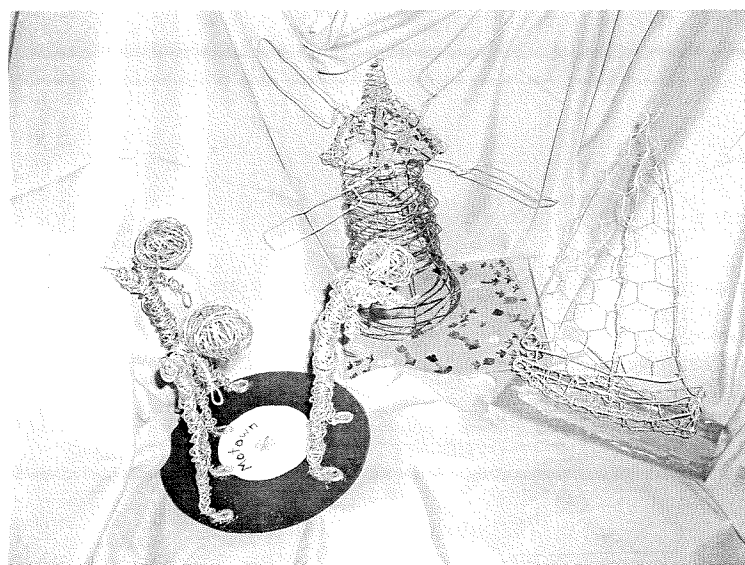
Coopersville High School

Coopersville Area Public Schools

Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

Coopersville, MI

Grades 9th-12th



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"One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions"

Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Alex
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Public Area Public School
Grade and Age: 12th and 18
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

The theme of this assignment was "One Michigan: Many Traditions. I tried to pick a tradition that meant something to me. I love to dance and I love music. To me, the music industry in Michigan started with Motown. I tried to show the movement in the singers with wire. Music styles change with time but Motown is classic. I realize that Michigan is made up of many unique traditions and I am glad to share my traditions with you.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Alyssa
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: 11th grade 17 years
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

While working on my wire sculpture I learned many things. I learned how to create a sculpture out of wire. Also I learned that creating lines in a curved motion show movement and creates an image. I sculpted a lighthouse from grand haven. Grand haven is my favorite place to go during the summer I camp there and hang out with my family and friends all the time. I wanted to show the tradition of going out to the pier each year during the summer and winter to see the beauty of our great lakes. I always feel happy whenever I look at my sculpture because it reminds me of the wonderful times I spend there every year.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Aubrey
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: grade: 9 age: 14
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned that a lot of patience is needed to work with wire. I tried to
convey the art of showmanship at the Berlin Fair Horse Show. The
artwork made me appreciate how complex the movement of a horse
and his showman can get, even on a simple subject as trotting a horse
on the ground. I learned that wire is a form of art in its self. All because
of its ability to avoid bending the way you want it to. So I learned a lot
while working o "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions."

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Brittney
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public School
Grade and Age: 10th 15
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

When I made my wire sculpture I learned how to use the materials provided. For the tree I used old wires to give it more texture, for the ladder I used new wire to make it look shinny. I bent the wire around a marker to make the apples round. Agriculture is an important part of Michigan. I tried my best to represent Michigan's great apple orchards and many hard working people.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Dan
School: Coopersville Area Public Schools
School District: Coopersville
Grade and Age: Grade: 10 Age: 15
Lead Teacher: Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

While working on this project I learned that I could do many things with wire. I also realized how many traditions Michigan really has. Some people mentioned traditions that I didn't realize we had or would personally consider. This project is also based on the element of design, line or more specifically continuous line, which we have been studying lately. I chose to make a fisherman who is trout fishing in one of Michigan's many streams (like the Little Manistee river in the Manistee National Forest where I fish) because it is simple but says a lot about Michigan.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Hannah
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Public Schools
Grade and Age: 11th 17
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

By doing a Michigan Celebration or Tradition I've learned a lot of new things about recent and historical traditions. When doing a wire sculpture you have to be patient and creative. You also have to have a high pain tolerance so when you get scratched or poked by the wire just wipe the blood away and keep on working. You also have to know what your going to do which at first I had no idea. After I got going the tradition of *Cherry Festival* in Traverse City turned out pretty good for me.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Joey
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public School
Grade and Age: 11th grade Age - 17
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

While working in "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions," I learned that there are so many different traditions. I only thought of a couple of ideas but I look around and I see hundreds of them. The traditions were both historical and modern but all resemble the theme. The whole project was exciting. I've never worked with wire before so it was an interesting experience. I give a lot of credit to all those wire artists because it's hard to do. Overall, the entire experience was enjoyable and I would gladly do it again.

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Student's First Name Only: Ke lsey
School: Coopersville
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: 9th grade 14 years old
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Huist

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions," I learned that many people in Michigan today have many ways of expressing and celebrating their ways of life. Many people living in Michigan show their love for their culture with their history of the past generations. One thing I see as a tradition in Michigan is agriculture. Agriculture is one thing that shows our way of farming and brings history from the past. Looking back I see that many people in Michigan have learned that our love for our state is in agriculture. Bringing all of our traditions together we come together and bring love in our home called "MICHIGAN" Learning about our different traditions gives me the reason to say I am proud to live in Michigan

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Student's First Name Only: Krystal
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: 10th grade 14 years
Lead Teacher: Hulst.

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

Celebrating traditions are a big part of everyone's life around the world. I learned that we go on each day with fulfilling our traditions like going to school, and having dinner with you family every night together. A couple traditions in West Michigan include: The Tulip Festival in Holland and The Coast Guard Festival in Grand Haven. The wire sculpture of the ballerina represents the traditions I have with my friends. Every time a dance is put on by our school we go and talk about it for days. I thought this project was very inspirational.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Marie
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: 9th grade 14 years old
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

In this assignment, the principles of gesture and movement to help portray a tradition in Michigan. I learned of the different traditions in Michigan that I haven't necessarily thought of as traditions before. Such as riding a bicycle in our area of West Michigan we have several trails that run for miles; enjoyable to ride on. Also another example is the factor of no cars on Mackinac Island so people resort to the familiar form of transpiration of bikes. In our class we used wire in a continuous line to express our tradition we have chosen. I learned further of sculptures/3-D figures, continuous lines, movement and gesture in this project.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Molly
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public School
Grade and Age: 11th grade 16 years
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

While working on this project, I learned that everybody has a different perception of what a Michigan tradition is. It's very interesting to see the different variations. I picked riding on the sand dunes in a dune buggy. It has been a long-standing family tradition to drive up to Silver Lake and travel through the dunes. As a family, we enjoy the beauty of the lakes and the sand. While working on this project, I learned how to work and manipulate wire into ways I would have not thought of otherwise. I greatly enjoyed this project.

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Student's First Name Only: Sarah
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public School
Grade and Age: 9th - 14
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Sappy Halloween

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions," I learned and experimented with many wire techniques. Connecting the different pieces of wire was a challenge at first. I found the easiest way was to "thread" the wires together. For the platform I painted a traditional sidewalk. Then I decided to leave the wire plain for contrast. This project really gave me a chance to learn about different mediums.

The tradition of Halloween is one Michigan children celebrate every year. It has become a time of celebration; a time to become what one is not. For one evening everyone lives their fantasy and are greeted with free candy.

-Sara Draper

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Student's First Name Only: Sarah
School: COOPERSVILLE High School
School District: COOPERSVILLE
Grade and Age: 10th grade, 15
Lead Teacher: MRS. HULST

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

While working on our Celebrating traditions project I learned that there are so many more traditions that I wouldn't normally think of. I think that the project gave me a new out look on the different things that families so often do together. While thinking of what to make for this assignment I looked around at all the different traditions that other people had and realized that there are so many to choose from. Learning to work with the wire in a contour line was a fun yet hard experience. One tradition that happens every year in Michigan is the Holland Tulip Festival. So many families gather to head out to Holland and enjoy the beautiful tulips and windmills that they have to share with us.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Sophie
School: Coopersville High school
School District: Coopersville Area Public schools
Grade and Age: 9th grade 14
Lead Teacher: Holst

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I learned...

Learning Statement

While working on "One Michigan: Many Traditions," I learned that we are all different. I chose to represent the tradition of boating with my wire sculpture because using the surrounding resources to move forward, such as the wind and water, is something Michigan has been doing since its beginnings. The good soil, the lakes, and the forests are all examples of this. While working on the sculpture, I realized everyone has unique traditions and ways of expressing themselves. I learned that whatever medium you choose, song, dance, paints, or even wire, we all have something to contribute to the greater masterpiece we call home, also known as Michigan. I also learned that this fact is something to embrace and celebrate. I now know that all the traditions my home includes is something to be proud of.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Stephany
School: Coopersville High School
School District: Coopersville Area Public Schools
Grade and Age: 10th - 15 years
Lead Teacher: Mrs. Carole Hulst

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

It was hard to think of ideas for this assignment. We talked about different traditions that we have in our state and the use of line and movement in the assignment. The use of wire also presented a challenge. I had to keep working on the bridge and the person walking over it. I am very happy with the out come of the sculpture. I wish I could do the bridge walk but I live too far away. The tradition of the Bridge walk is one of the things that make Michigan special.